Public Law 89-799

JOINT RESOLUTION

November 8, 1966 [S. J. Res. 167]

To enable the United States to organize and hold an International Conference on Water for Peace in the United States in 1967 and authorize an appropriation therefor.

Whereas there exists throughout the world a common problem in planning the use of water to meet adequately the needs of the world's rapidly expanding population; and

Whereas the President, in announcing the Water for Peace Program of the United States Government, recognized the great value of a mutual sharing of knowledge in this important field with other countries in a worldwide cooperative effort to find solutions of man's water problems; and

Whereas a worldwide conference would be the most effective means of bringing together representatives of all governments and agencies concerned, as well as experts, on the varying aspects of the water problems; would focus attention on current and future water problems; and would contribute to the development of policies and programs necessary to meet these problems: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of State Conference on and the Secretary of the Interior, in consultation with other concerned water for Peace. departments and agencies, are authorized to take all necessary steps to organize and hold an International Conference on Water for Peace in Washington, District of Columbia, in 1967.

Sec. 2. There is authorized to be appropriated to the Department for expenses. of State, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum not to exceed \$900,000 for the purpose of defraying the expenses incident to organizing and holding such an international conference. Funds appropriated pursuant to this authorization shall be available for expenses incurred on behalf of the United States as host government, including personal services without regard to civil service and classification laws, except no salary rate shall exceed the maximum rate payable under the General Schedule of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended; employment of aliens, printing and binding without regard to the provisions of any other law; travel expenses without regard to the Standardized Government Travel Regulations and to the rates of per diem allowances in lieu of subsistence expenses under the Travel Expense Act of 1949, as amended, of principal for- 75 Stat. 339, 340. eign delegates in the United States and of United States personnel and foreign technical experts; rent of facilities by contract or otherwise; hire of passenger motor vehicles; official functions and courtesies; and design, construction, and display of exhibits. Sums appropriated pursuant to this authorization shall remain available for obligation until December 31, 1967.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of State and the Secretary of the Interior are authorized to accept and use contributions of funds, property, services, and facilities, including the loan of articles, specimens, and exhibits for display, for the purpose of organizing and holding such an international conference.

SEC. 4. The head of any department, agency, or establishment of the ments, assist-United States Government is authorized, on request, to assist with or ance. without reimbursement the Department of State and the Department of the Interior in carrying out the functions herein authorized, including the furnishing of personnel and facilities and the procurement, installation, and display of exhibits.

Approved November 8, 1966.

Appropriation

Ante, p. 288.

5 USC 835 note.

Contributions.

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